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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FRG RELATIONS WITH POLAND

REF: WARSAW 919

1. FRG FOREIGN OFFICE HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT THE NEXT ROUND OF FRG-POLISH SOCIAL SECURITY NEGOTIATIONS WILL TAKE PLACE IN WARSAW NEXT WEEK (LAST ROUND WAS IN BONN IN JANUARY). WE WERE GIVEN TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE GERMANS WILL AGAIN OFFER A GLOBAL FIGURE FOR INDEMNIFICATION PURPOSES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A PENSIONS ARRANGEMENT. WE GATHER THE FIGURE IS SUBJECT TO DISCUSSION.  
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SION. OUR CONTACTS AGAIN INSISTED THAT THERE COULD BE

NO INDEMNIFICATION SETTLEMENT AS SUCH. THEY DID NOT HAVE ANY GREAT HOPES THAT NEXT WEEK'S TALKS WOULD PRODUCE A BREAKTHROUGH, BUT THE FACT THAT THE TALKS WERE TO TAKE PLACE WAS IN ITSELF ENCOURAGING.

2. IT IS CLEAR THE GERMANS ARE UNHAPPY AT POLISH MOVES TO PUT PRESSURE ON BONN THROUGH THIRD PARTIES. THEY DID NOT RAISE THE SAUVAGNARGUES TRIP TO WARSAW WITH US, BUT THEY ARE WELL INFORMED ABOUT POLISH INITIATIVES WITH OTHERS RE FRG-POLISH RELATIONS. SEEN FROM BONN, THESE INITIATIVES DO NOT SEEM PARTICULARLY USEFUL. THE MAIN EFFECT IS TO GET THE GERMANS' BACK UP, RATHER THAN MOVE THEM IN THE DIRECTION OF ACCEDING TO POLISH WISHES. OUR FOREIGN OFFICE CONTACTS, WHO ARE BY NO MEANS UNSYMPATHETIC TO POLISH VIEWS, THINK WARSAW WOULD DO BETTER TO KEEP BILATERAL PROBLEMS IN BILATERAL CHANNELS. WE REALIZE IT MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO CONVINCE THE POLES OF THIS, BUT WE WISH TO FLAG A POINT OF REAL AND GROWING SENSITIVITY SO FAR AS BONN IS CONCERNED.  
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